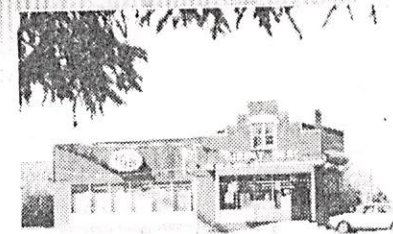


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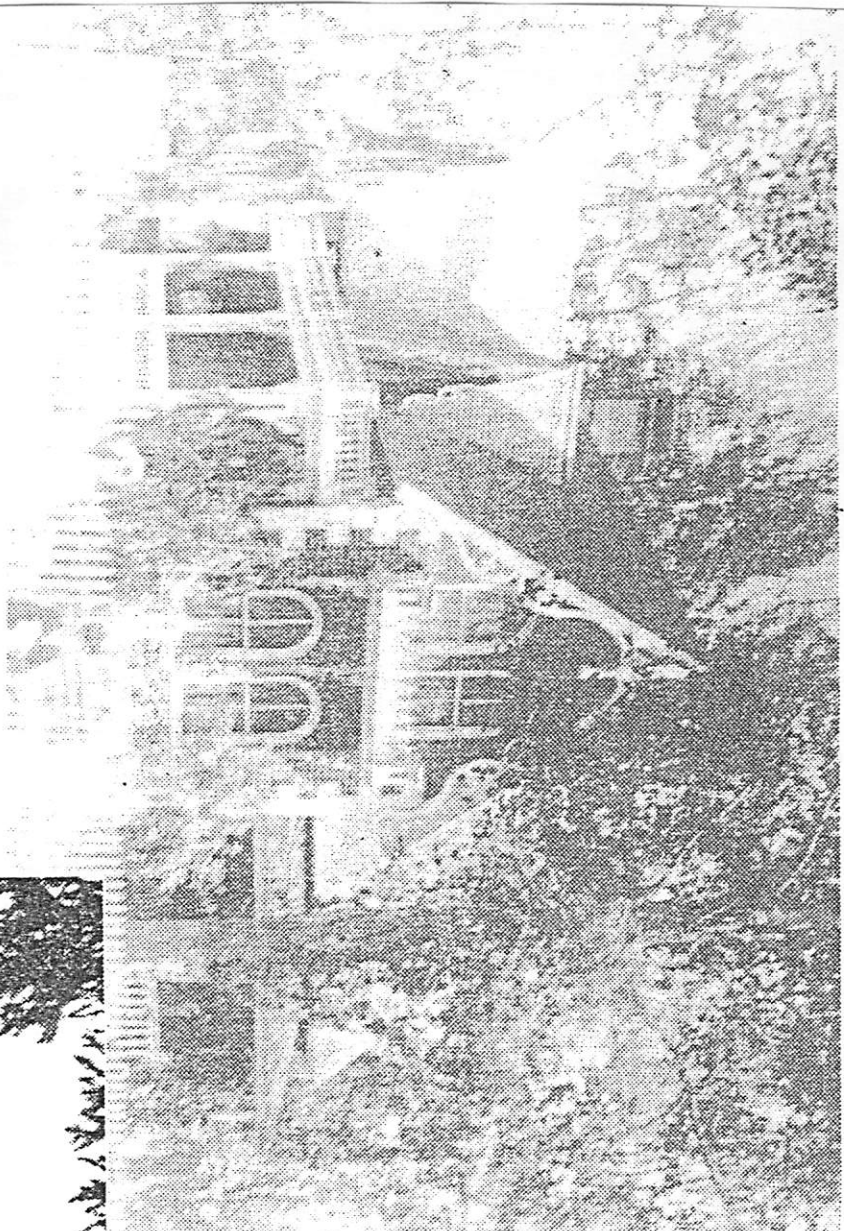
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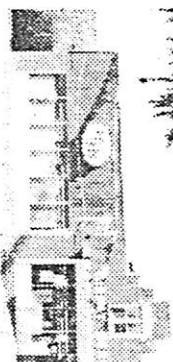
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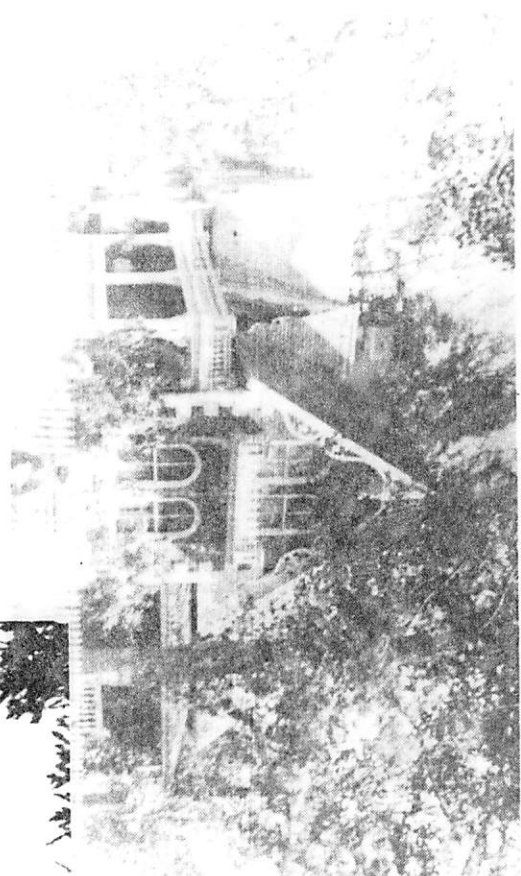
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The parents home was passed to the third brother, Thomas, and then to his son Glade, while George's home eventually passed to Thomas's daughter Glenna and her husband Leland W. Ivers. The Bonner Merc became the Iver's Merc before being purchased by Richard Nielson, and becoming Nielson's. Bill and Eliza lived in their home until their deaths. Their son Floyd Bonner now lives in the 104 year old home.

George and Margaret Edmundstron Bonner

George Bonner's native land was Ireland, where he was born on January 8, 1822. At the age of fourteen, he left Ireland and went to Scotland. There he met and married Margaret Edmundston. While in Scotland, they had three children: George, Christina and William.

They were converted to the LDS Church, and in 1856, George left his small family behind, and sailed to America. He was finally able to send for his family eight months later. Together they traveled across the plains in 1861. Besides the other hardships that they encountered on this journey, Margaret gave birth to Margaret and Ann while crossing the plains.

Sometime later, they moved to Midway, making this their new home. Four more children were added to their family after coming to Midway. They were: Dessie, Thomas, Mary Jane, and Robert James.

Margaret lost her eye sight, and though she was blind for many years, she never complained.

Their two sons, George and William, had three homes built on Midway's Main Street that are still land marks today. One home was for them, George and Margaret, and the other two were for the sons and their families. These homes are located on three of the corners at the intersection of Main Street and First East.